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Elite Interviewing in Political Science: A Meta-Analysis of Reporting Practices

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Variables and Description

- **article.title**: Title of the journal article.
 - *Responses and scale*: Text.
- **doi**: DOI of the journal article.
 - *Responses and scale*: Text.
- **journal**: Name of the journal.
 - *Responses and scale*: Text.
- **year**: Publication year (if online published first, year of online publication).
 - *Responses and scale*: Date.

- **author1**: First author name.
 - *Responses and scale*: Text.

- **author2**: Second author name (if available).
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. If not available, blank.

- **author3**: Third author name (if available).
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. If not available, blank.

- **author4**: Fourth author name (if available).
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. If not available, blank.

- **topic**: Topic of the journal article.
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. Topics are adapted from **Cammett and Kendall (2021)**: (1) Conflict & Political Violence, (2) Elections and Voting Behavior, (3) Gender, (4) Global Governance and State Behaviors, (5) Human Rights and Security, (6) Identity, Culture, and Norms, (7) Migration, (8) Party Politics, (9) Political Economy and Development, (10) Political Institutions, (11) Political Regimes, (12) Religion and Politics, (13) Social Mobilization.

- **main_evidence**: Are elite interviews the main evidence or supplement another kind of evidence (e.g., qualitative or quantitative)?
 - *Responses and scale*: Binary. If elite interviews are the main evidence, it is coded as “Yes”; otherwise, it is “No”.

- **type_of_evidence**: Is this research qualitative or mixed?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. Possible answers are “qualitative” and “mixed”.

- **evidence_details**: Besides elite interviewing, what is the specific explanation of evidence used in this research? (e.g., experimental, quasi-experimental, time series, text analysis)
 - *Responses and scale*: Text.

- **elite_description**: How elites are described/defined in the journal?

- *Responses and scale*: Text. If not available, NA.
- **sample_mentioned**: What is the sample of the interviews mentioned in the article (or online appendix, if available)?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. Possible answers are direct quotes or mentions from the journal articles or NA for unavailable information.
- **sample_size**: If sample information is explicitly mentioned, what is the sample size?
 - *Responses and scale*: Numeric.
 - *Note*: Sample information must be explicitly mentioned either in the main text or in the appendix. I.e., X number of interviews were conducted.
- **recruitment**: How the sample is recruited?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. Possible answers are direct quotes or mentions from the journal articles or blank for unavailable information.
- **interview_method**: What is the method employed during the interviews?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. Possible answers are direct quotes or mentions from the journal articles or NA for unavailable information.
- **country**: In which country or countries are these interviews conducted?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. Possible answers are direct quotes or mentions from the journal articles or NA for unavailable information.
- **single_country**: Are interviews conducted in a single country?
 - *Responses and scale*: Binary. If yes, “1” (one); otherwise “0” (zero). If not available, NA.
- **region**: In which region are these interviews conducted?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. If not available, NA.
- **subfield1**: Which subfield of the political science research does this research belong?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. Possible answers are “AP,” “CP,” and “IR” .

- **subfield2:** Which second subfield of the political science research (if available) does this research belong?
 - *Responses and scale:* Text. Possible answers are “AP,” “CP,” and “IR”.
- **conduct:** Were the interviews conducted in-person, online, or in other ways?
 - *Responses and scale:* Text. Possible answers are “in-person”, “in-person and online”, “in-person and phone”, “in-person, phone, and online”, “online”, “online and phone”, “phone”, “phone and e-mail”, and “NA” if the information is not available.
- **anonymity:** Was the interviewee information anonymized?
 - *Responses and scale:* Text. Possible answers are “Yes”, “No”, or “Both” to signify the author(s) prefer to use both anonymized and non-anonymized information, or “NA” if the information is unavailable.
- **anonym_explanation:** Do the author(s) explain why they prefer specific anonymity decision?
 - *Responses and scale:* Text. Possible answers are “No” or the wording adopted in the article.
- **anonym_permission:** Do the author(s) provide any permission information related to the anonymity?
 - *Responses and scale:* Text. Possible answers are the wording adopted in the article.
- **IRB:** Is there Institutional Review Board (or equivalent ethics committee) information specific to the qualitative data collection process (i.e., interviews)?
 - *Responses and scale:* Text. Possible answers are “Yes”, “No”, and “NA”.
- **IRB_details:** If IRB information is provided, what are the details offered by the author(s)? (e.g., reference number, protocols, etc.)
 - *Responses and scale:* Text.
- **appendix_interviews:** Is there any specific appendix prepared for the interviews?
 - *Responses and scale:* Binary. If yes, “1” (one); otherwise, “0” (zero).
- **interview_questions:** Do interview questions are provided?
 - *Responses and scale:* Binary. If yes, “1” (one); otherwise, “0” (zero).
- **list_interviewees:** Does the list of interviewees provided?

- *Responses and scale*: Binary. If yes, “1” (one); otherwise, “0” (zero).
- **data_access**: Do the author(s) provide any information about the qualitative data access?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. Possible answers are the wording adopted in the article.
- **consent_form**: Do the author(s) provide any information about the informed consent form (written or oral consent)?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. Possible answers are “Yes” or “No”.
- **consent_location**: If, **consent_form** is “Yes”. Where does the author(s) provide information about the informed consent form (written or oral consent)?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text. Possible answers are “text”, “appendix”, and “appendix and text”.
- **ATI_information**: Do the author(s) provide any information about active citation ([Moravcsik, 2010](#)) or Annotation for Transparent Inquiry (ATI) ([Kapiszewski & Karcher, 2021](#))?
 - *Responses and scale*: Text.
- **Notes**: Notes for articles.
 - *Responses and scale*: Text.

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